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Applicants: L.W. Graham et al. Attorney Docket No.: SEMT116060
Application No.: 09/429,446 Group Art Unit: 1742
Filed: October 28, 1999 Examiner: W.T. Leader
Title: METHOD, CHEMISTRY, AND APPARATUS FOR NOBLE METAL
ELECTROPLATING ON A MICROELECTRONIC WORKPIECE

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER/
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

December 12, 2003

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	22	-	43	=	0	x	18	=	0
Independent Claims	1	-	7	=	0	x	86	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated June 13, 2003, set to expire on September 13, 2003, be extended by 3 months, to expire on December 13, 2003. An extension for 1 month has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$110 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. The extension fee due with this request is thus \$840.00.

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C. Fees Enclosed

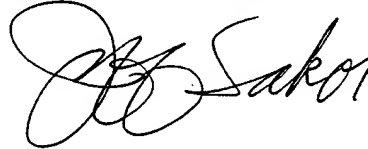
Enclosed is our Check No. 152568 in the amount of \$840.00 to cover the amendment claim fee and request for extension of time fee.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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